

Allowable Spending Uses

The acquisition, creation, and preservation of land for recreational use. The CPA defines recreational use as, “active or passive recreational use including, but not limited to, the use of land for community gardens, trails, and noncommercial youth and adult sports, and the use of land as a park, playground or athletic field. ‘Recreational use’ shall not include horse or dog racing or the use of land for a stadium, gymnasium, or similar structure nor the creation of artificial turf fields.”

Project Eligibility

CPA funds cannot be used for: operations, maintenance, programming, park events, artificial turf, streetscapes that are not pocket parks or open space, indoor recreation facilities, or public art, unless it is an integral part of a park design.

CPA funds shall not replace existing operating funds, only augment them and may not be used for maintenance, defined by the CPA as “incidental repairs which neither materially add to the value of the property nor appreciably prolong the property’s life, but keep the property in a condition of fitness, efficiency, or readiness.”

CPA funds may not be appropriated to pay for project costs that have already been appropriated from another source. Any CPA eligible costs for a project that are identified in a municipality’s capital improvement program are eligible for funding under the Act, if the municipality has not made a prior funding commitment to pay for such costs.

Master Plan Goals

Goal 3: Maintain, add, and enhance recreational facilities and programs as needed.

Objective A. Determine the needs for additional recreational facilities

Objective B. Develop a plan for improving and updating existing indoor and outdoor facilities.

Complete construction of Center Court Playground.

Rebuild Morningdale Manor Playing Fields & Playground.

Objective D. Enhance access to existing facilities and promote such areas in specific neighborhoods

In accordance with the ADA Access Self-Evaluation in the OSRP, take steps to make Town owned recreation areas and facilities more accessible to all patrons

Objective E. Explore the possibility of linking existing natural resources, open space, and recreation facilities with a contiguous network of greenways and foot trail corridors.